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TO THE CLERK OF THE ABOVE-ENTITLED COURT, ALL PARTIES, AND TO THEIR ATTORNEYS OF RECORD:

Defendant Saxon Mortgage Services, Inc. ("Defendant" or "Saxon") pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1441, 1446 and 1331 hereby removes this action from the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles - Northwest District, to the United States District Court for the Central District of California, and states as follows:

STATEMENT OF THE CASE

- On September 5, 2008, an action was commenced in the Superior Court 1. of California, County of Los Angeles - Northwest District, styled Mario Hermosillo v. T.D. Servicing Company, et al., Case No. LC082604 (the "State Court Action").
- This Notice of Removal is being filed within 30 days of the filing of the 2. Complaint and, thus, within 30 days of the date Saxon became aware of the State Court Action. Removal is therefore timely in accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 1446(b).
- The Complaint purports to assert three causes of action, identified and/or 3. generally alleged as follows: (1) unfair debt collection practices; (2) predatory lending practices; and (3) RICO violations.
- The unfair debt collection practices cause of action asserts the following 4. statutory violations:
- (a) violation of California's Rosenthal Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, including, but not limited to, California Civil Code § 1788(e) and (f);
- (b) violation of the Federal Fair Debt Collections Act, 15 U.S.C. §§ 1692 et seq.; and
- (c) violation of the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act ("RESPA"), 12 U.S.C. §§ 2601-2617.
- The predatory lending practices cause of action asserts the following 5. statutory violations:

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- (a) violation of the Home Ownership and Equity Protection Act ("HOEPA"), 15 U.S.C. § 1637;
- (b) violation of the Truth in Lending Act ("TILA"), 15 U.S.C. § 1601; and
- (c) violation of the Federal Trade Commission Act ("FTC Act"), 15 U.S.C. §§ 41-58.
- 6. Finally, the RICO violations cause of action asserts the following statutory violations: 18 U.S.C. §§ 1961 et seq.

JURISDICTION

FEDERAL QUESTION

- 7. This Court has jurisdiction over this matter under 28 U.S.C. § 1331 because Plaintiff's claims arise under the laws of the United States. The Supreme Court has held that "a case 'arose under' federal law where the vindication of a right under state law necessarily turned on some construction of federal law." Franchise Tax Bd. v. Construction Laborers Vacation Trust, 463 U.S. 1, 9 (1983). Here, Plaintiff alleges direct violations of the Federal Fair Debt Collections Act, RESPA, HOEPA, TILA, the FTC Act and RICO and seeks remedies purportedly pursuant to these federal statutes. (Compl. ¶¶ 20, 23, 26, and at p. 6). Accordingly, the matter turns upon federal questions, and this Court has jurisdiction.
- Upon information and belief, T.D. Servicing Company has not been 8. served and therefore its consent is not required. Emrich v. Touche Ross & Co., 846 F.2d 1190, 1193 n.1 (9th Cir. 1988) (the requirement for consent applies "only to defendants properly joined and served in the action.")
- 9. Accordingly, all properly served and joined defendants, excluding nominal, unknown, and fraudulently joined parties, have consented to this Notice of Removal.

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	10.	Venue is proper in this Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 84(a) and 1441(a)
becau	ise the	United States District Court for the Central District of California, is the
feder	al judio	cial district and division embracing the Superior Court of California for the
Coun	ty of L	os Angeles where the State Court Action was originally filed.

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1446(a), a true and correct copy of all of the 11. process, pleadings, and orders on file in the State Court Action or served on Defendants Saxon or T.D. Servicing Company are attached hereto as *Exhibit 1*.

CONCLUSION

By this Notice of Removal and the associated attachments, Saxon does not waive any objections that it may have as to service, jurisdiction or venue, or any other defenses or objections it may have to this action. Saxon intends no admission of fact, law or liability by this Notice, and expressly reserves all defenses, motions and/or pleas. Saxon prays that the Action be removed to this Court, that all further proceedings in state court be stayed, and that Saxon receive all additional relief to which it is entitled.

Dated: October 6, 2008

Respectfully submitted,

LOCKE LORD BISSELL & LIDDELL LLP

Nina Huerta

Amber L. Harley

Attorneys for Defendant

SAXON MORTGAGE SERVICES, INC.

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SUMMONS (CITACION JUDICIAL)

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: (AVISO AL DEMANDADO). T.D. SERVICING COMPANY, SAXON MORTGAGE SERVICES, INC., and DOES 1-50, inclusive

YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF: (LO ESTÁ DEMANDANDO EL DEMANDANTE): MARIO HERMOSILLO



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LOS ANGELES SUPERIOR COURT

You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summens and legal papers are served on you to file a written response at this court and have a copy served on the plaintiff. A letter or phone call will not protect you. Your written response must be in proper legal form if you want the court to hear your case. There may be a court form that you can use for your response, You can find these court forms and more information at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/solfhelp), your county law library, or the courthouse nearest you. If you cannot pay the filling fee, ask the court clork for a fee walver form. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default, and your wages, money, and property may be taken without forther warning from the court. There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attended when you do not know an atterney, you may want to call an atterney referral service. If you cannot afford an atterney, you may be aligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Logal Services Web site (www.lawhelpcallfornia.org), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), or by contacting your local court or county bar association.

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES NORTHWEST DISTRICT

Case No.:

MARIO HERMOSILLO

Plaintiff,

VS.

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T.D. SERVICING COMPANY, SAXON MORTGAGE SERVICES, INC., and DOES I -50, inclusive,

Defendants.

COMPLAINT FOR:

- 1. UNFAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES
- 2. PREDATORY LENDING **PRACTICES**
- 3. RICO VIOLATIONS

[Unlimited Jurisdiction Case]

BY FAX

AS TO ALL CAUSES OF ACTION

- 1. Plaintiff, MARIO HERMOSILLO, is a natural person.
- 2. Defendant, T.D. SERVICING COMPANY, is a business entity, the form unknown to Plaintiff, that is the Trustee named in Exhibit 1, and Defendant, SAXON MORTGAGE SERVICES, INC., is the natural person or entity that has directed and is directing said Trustee to proceed under a power of sale to foreclose.

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3. Attached to the complaint as Exhibit 1 is a certain Notice of Sale, which has been issued by Defendant, T.D. SERVICING COMPANY at the instance of Defendant, SAXON MORTGAGE SERVICES, INC..

Document 1

- 4. Does 1-50 persons or entities that are unknown to Plaintiff. Their capacities are unknown. Plaintiff alleges that they are in some way involved in the actions complained of herein as either independent actors, or as agents or principals of the other named defendants. Plaintiff will amend this complaint to allege their true identities, capacities and roles as and when they are ascertained.
- 5. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereupon alleges, that Defendants, T.D. SERVICING COMPANY, SAXON MORTGAGE SERVICES, INC., and Does 1 - 50 are proceeding toward a Trustee's sale of the real property commonly known as 7452 Milwood Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 91303, the same property identified in Exhibit 1, ostensibly to collect the unpaid balance on the note secured by the security instrument that is identified in Exhibit 1.
- 6. Plaintiff is the owner in fee of the real property identified as 7452 Milwood Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 91303.
- 7. Upon information and belief, SAXON MORTGAGE SERVICES, INC. is not the holder of the note identified in the security instrument that is identified in Exhibit 1, is not in possession of the note properly endorsed to it, nor is it otherwise entitled by law in this State to initiate foreclosure under the security instrument identified in Exhibit 1.

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8. SAXON MORTGAGE SERVICES, INC. has no present right to initiate foreclosure under the security instrument identified in the Notice of Sale attached as Exhibit 1, nor does it have the right to direct the T.D. SERVICING COMPANY to foreclose and sell the subject real property owned by Plaintiff. T.D. SERVICING COMPANY has been put on notice of Plaintiff's claim in this regard and demand has been made of T.D. SERVICING COMPANY to suspend any foreclosure sale unless and until it has obtained proof that SAXON MORTGAGE SERVICES, INC. actually has in its possession the original note properly endorsed to it or assigned to it as of a date preceding the notice of default recorded by T.D. SERVICING COMPANY. T.D. SERVICING COMPANY has failed and refused to suspend the sale of the property or to provide proof of the basis of the right of SAXON MORTGAGE SERVICES, INC. to initiate foreclosure under the security instrument referred to in Exhibit 1.

Document 1

- 9. Plaintiff alleges that the Defendants and each of them, in so acting in this case and with respect to many other mortgage or trust deed security instruments engage in a pattern and practice of utilizing the non-judicial foreclosure procedures of this State to foreclose on properties when they do not, in fact, have the right to do so, knowing that the property owners affected do not have the knowledge and means to contest the right of said Defendants to do so.
- 10. Plaintiff, through Plaintiff's attorney demanded proof of the Defendants' and each of them of their right to proceed in foreclosure in writing. No such proof or its equivalent has been offered
- 11. Plaintiff, through Plaintiff's attorney demanded further a detailed accounting of how the stated amount necessary to be paid to redeem the property from foreclosure has been calculated so that Plaintiff could adequately evaluate Plaintiffs rights under the law with Plaintiff's presale right of redemption: See Exhibit 2, incorporated herein by reference. The response, if any, of Defendants, and each of them, has been so inadequate so as to prevent Plaintiffs from determining whether any or all of the charges included in their payoff demand were justified, appropriate and proper under the terms of obligation evidenced by the negotiable instrument secured by the security instrument identified in Exhibit 1,
- 12. The real property owned by Plaintiff that is identified in Exhibit 1 is unique. Therefore, should Defendants, and each of them, not be enjoined, Plaintiff will suffer irreparable injury

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for which there is no adequate remedy in law when Defendants proceed to sell the subject property at foreclosure sale.

- In all of the wrongful acts alleged in this complaint, the Defendants and each of them have utilized the United States mail in furtherance of their conspiracy to both unlawfully collect on negotiable instruments when they were not entitled under the law to do so, and, assuming *arguendo* that they do have the right to proceed to foreclose under the note, to profit from those actions in amounts greater than their rights under the note to do so.
- 14. Defendants, and each of them, in committing the acts alleged in this and in other cases are engaging in a pattern of unlawful activity.
- 15. As a result thereof, Plaintiff has been damaged in having to hire attorneys before bringing this action and to bring this action to enjoin the threatened non-judicial foreclosure of the subject real property, and has had to and will have to incur attorneys fees to stop the wrongful acts of the Defendants and each of them. Plaintiff has been damaged in other ways that are not readily apparent at this time, but will amend this complaint to allege further damages as they are determined.
- 16. In pursuing non-judicial foreclosure, Defendants and each of them represented that they had the right to payment under the note, payment of which was secured by the security instrument that is indentified in Exhibit 1 to this Complaint.
- 17. The true facts were that they were not in possession of the note and either holders of the note or non-holders of the note entitled to payment, as those terms are used in the Uniform Commercial Code §§ 3-301, 3-309, and therefore they were proceeding to foreclose non-judicially without right under the law. Further, they added costs and charges to the payoff amount of the note that were not justified and proper under the terms of the note or the law.
- 18. The Defendants and each of them, misrepresented the facts intending to either force Plaintiff to pay large sums of money to Defendants and each of them to which they were not entitled under the law, or to abandon Plaintiffs property to foreclosure sale.

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FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

Document 1

UNFAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES

- 19. Plaintiff realleges paragraphs 1 - 18 as if fully set forth herein.
- 20. Plaintiff is informed and believes and thereupon alleges that the Defendants and each of them, in the taking the actions aforementioned, have violated provisions of California's Rosenthal Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, including but not limited to Civil Code § 1788 (e) and (f), and the Federal Fair Debt Collections Act, 15 U.S.C., Title 41, Subchap. V, §§ 1692 et seq, and the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act (RESPA), 12 U.S.C. §§ 2601-2617.

SECOND CAUSEOF ACTION PREDATORY LENDING PRACTICES

- 21. Plaintiff realleges paragraphs 1-20 as if fully set forth herein.
- 22. Assuming arguendo that Defendant, SAXON MORTGAGE SERVICES, INC. does have the right under the law of negotiable instruments in this State, by endorsement, assignment, agency or otherwise, to receive payment under a valid note, payment of which is secured by the security instrument that is identified in Exhibit 1, and to initiate foreclosure under a power of sale contained therein, if any, then Defendant, SAXON MORTGAGE SERVICES, INC. is subject to defenses that would have been available against NEW CENTURY MORTGAGE CORPORATION, the initial Lender identified in the security instrument that is referred to in Exhibit 1.
- 23. Plaintiff is informed and believes and thereupon alleges that NEW CENTURY MORTGAGE CORPORATION has engaged in deceptive practices with respect to Plaintiff in violation of the Home Ownership and Equity Protection Act ("HOEPA"), 15 U.S.C. §§ 1637, the Truth in Lending Act ("TILA"), 15 U.S.C. § 1601, Regulation Z, 12 C.F.R. 226, and the Federal Trade Commission Act ("FTC Act"), 15 U.S.C. §§ 41-58, the specifics of which are unknown, but which are subject to discovery and with respect to which the specifics will be alleged by amendment to this complaint when ascertained.

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24. One or more of the predatory lending practices referred to in the previous paragraph permits, under the law, one or more defenses or remedies, the specifics of which will be alleged by amendment to this complaint when ascertained.

THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION RICO VIOLATIONS

- 25. Plaintiff realleges paragraphs 1-24 as if fully set forth hereat.
- 26. In doing the aforesaid acts, Defendants and each of them were participating in and have participated in a scheme of racketeering as that term is defined in RICO, 18 U.S.C §§ 1961 et seq.
 - 27. Plaintiff is therefore entitled to the remedies available under RICO in civil actions.

 WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays that:
- Defendants, T.D. SERVICING COMPANY, SAXON MORTGAGE SERVICES,
 INC., and Does 1 50 and each of them, be prohibited from conducting any sale of the subject real property pending the outcome of this case;
- 2. Defendants, T.D. SERVICING COMPANY, SAXON MORTGAGE SERVICES, INC., and Does 1-50, and each of them, be permanently enjoined from any and all attempts to foreclose on the subject real property unless and until it can present proof that it is entitled, under the law of negotiable instruments in force in Ca, to enforce the underlying promissory note described in the security instrument that is indentified in Exhibit 1;
- 3. That Plaintiff be awarded monetary damages against the Defendants, T.D. SERVICING COMPANY, SAXON MORTGAGE SERVICES, INC., and each of them, jointly and severally, that Plaintiff incurred due to the need to bring this action for injunctive relief according to proof,
- 4. That Plaintiff be awarded statutory damages for Unfair Debt Collection practices under the federal and California statutes;
 - 5. That attorneys fees be awarded Plaintiff as may be permitted by law;
 - 6. That Plaintiff be awarded treble damages as permitted by law,
 - That prejudgment interest be awarded Plaintiff as permitted by law;

For such other and further equitable relief, declaratory relief and legal damages as 8. may be permitted by law and as the court may consider just and proper.

Dated: September 4, 2008

Homan Mobasser, Esq. Attorney for Plaintiff

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Exhibit "1"

Exhibit <u>1</u>, Pg. <u>/3</u>

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T.D. SERVICE COMPANY

And when recorded mail to T.D. SERVICE COMPANY 1820 E. FIRST ST., SUITE 210 P.O. BOX 11988 SANTA ANA, CA 92711-1988

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

T.S. No: F359385 CA Unit Code: F Loan No: 2000231188/HERMOSILLO

Min No: 100488910096225718

AP #1: 2112-010-005

T.D. SERVICE COMPANY, as duly appointed Trustee under the following described Deed of Trust WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH (in the forms which are lawful tender in the United States) and/or the cashier's, certified or other checks specified in Civil Code Section 2924h (payable in full at the time of sale to T.D. Service Company) all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property hereinafter described:

Trustor: MARIO HERMOSÍLLO

Recorded September 5, 2006 as Instr. No. 06 1966429 in Book --- Page --- of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of LOS ANGELES County; CALIFORNIA, pursuant to the Notice of Denuit and Election to Sell thereunder recorded May 9, 2008 as Instr. No. 20080824952 in Book --- Page --- of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of LOS ANGELES County CALIFORNIA.

YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED AUGUST 29, 2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER.

7452 MILWOOD AVENUE, LOS ANGELES, CA 91303
"(If a street address or common designation of property is shown above, no warranty is given as to its completeness or correctness)."

Said Sale of property will be made in "as is" condition without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest as in said note provided, advances, if any, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust.

Said sale will be held on:

SEPTEMBER 2, 2008, AT 11:00 A.M. *AT THE WEST SIDE DOORS TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY COURTS BUILDING, 12720 NORWALK BLVD, NORWALK, CA

At the time of the initial publication of this notice, the total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the above described Deed of Trust and estimated costs, expenses, and advances is \$421,865.81. It is possible that at the time of sale the opening bid may be less than the total indebtedness due.

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T.S. No: F359385 CA Unit Code: F Loan No: 2000231188/HERMOSILLO

Date: August 11, 2008

T.D. SERVICE COMPANY as said Trustee,

BY SUSAN EARNEST, ASSISTANT SECRETARY
T.D. SERVICE COMPANY
1820 E. FIRST ST., SUITE 210, P.O. BOX 11988
SANTA ANA, CA 92711-1988
(714) 543-8372

We are assisting the Beneficiary to collect a debt and any information we obtain will be used for that purpose whether received orally or in writing.

If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse.

If available, the expected opening bid and/or postponement information may be obtained by calling the following telephone number(s) on the day before the sale: (714) 480-5690 or you may access sales information at www.ascentex.com/websales.

Exhibit "2"

Exhibit <u>1</u>, Pg. <u>//</u>

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September 2, 2008

By Facsimile Only to 714:541-3903

Susan Earnest Trustee Sale Officer T.D. SERVICING COMPANY 1820 E. First Street, Suite 210 Santa Ana, CA 92711

Re: Trustee Sale No. F359385

Loan No.

2000231188Property Address: 7452 Milwood Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 91303

Our File Number: 1017/716

Dear Susan Earnest:

Read this letter carefully. Failing to take appropriate action may result in T.D. SERVICING COMPANY, and the persons or entities initiating the above referenced foreclosure sale, being named as a Defendant in a RICO¹ action. T.D. SERVICING COMPANY will not be able to avoid liability or the need to interpose a defense of such an action by a declaration of non-monetary interest.

Let me explain.

I am the attorney for MARIO HERMOSILLO, the owner of the property. We have no information and documentation that the entity or person that initiated the foreclosure through your offices is entitled to do so.

RICO is the acronym for the federal Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act, 18 U.S.C. §1961 et seq. which, in part, states, "It shall be unlawful for any person who has received any income derived, directly or indirectly, from a pattern of racketeering activity or through collection of an unlawful debt in which such person has participated as a principal within the meaning of section 2, title 18, United States Code, to use or invest, directly or indirectly, any part of such income, or the proceeds of such income, in acquisition of any interest in, or the establishment or operation of, any enterprise which is engaged in, or the activities of which affect, interstate or foreign commerce."

The right to foreclose by judicial or non-judicial action depends upon the right of the Beneficiary to payment under the note, and that depends upon the Beneficiary being able to document its full entitlement to do so under Article 3 of the California Commercial Code §§ 3301, 3309. The law is well settled. Enforcement of a note which is a negotiable instrument, by foreclosure or otherwise, requires that the party seeking payment be in possession of the original note.

California Law is well established that a deed of trust or mortgage by itself is ineffective to allow foreclosure. A promissory note is personal property and the deed of trust or mortgage securing a note is a mere incident of the debt it secures, with no separable ascertainable market value. Civ. Code §§ 657, 663. Kirby v. Palos Verdes Escrow Co. (1986) 183 Cal. App. 3d 57, 62. Likewise, transfers of the note and mortgage fundamentally flow back to the note. "The assignment of a mortgage without a valid transfer of the indebtedness confers no right, since debt and security are inseparable and the mortgage alone is not a subject of transfer." Hyde v. Mangan (1891) 88 Cal. 319: Johnson v. Razy (1919) 181 Cal. 342: Bowman v. Sears (1923) 63 CA 235, Treat v. Burns (1932) 216 Cal. 216.

The right, therefore, to foreclose by judicial or non-judicial action depends upon the right of the Beneficiary (the initiating party) to payment under the note, and that right depends upon the rights of the Beneficiary under Commercial Code §§ 3301, 3309, which govern the right to payment under a negotiable instrument.

The enforceability of a negotiable instrument arises only from various attributes of <u>possession</u> of the underlying instrument. Even where an instrument has been transferred, enforceability is still determined based upon possession. There are only three (3) instances, all arising from possession, which allow a person or entity to enforce a negotiable instrument.

California Commercial Code § 3301 limits instrument enforcement to the following:

"Person entitled to enforce" an instrument means (a) the holder of the instrument, (b) a nonholder in possession of the instrument who has the rights of a holder, or (c) a person not in possession of the instrument who is entitled to enforce the instrument pursuant to Section 3309 or subdivision (d) of Section 3418. A person may be a person entitled to enforce the instrument even though the person is not the owner of the instrument or is in wrongful possession of the instrument. (Emphasis added)"

The last sentence of 3301 explains why possession of the instrument is a necessary prerequisite to enforcement of the note. The Lender is the one that chooses to evidence the debt in the form of a negotiable instrument for purposes of liquidity. The Lender and those who would assert a right to payment of the debt can hardly be heard, therefore, to complain that the law requires the actual possession of the original note before being able to enforce the note. The attempt to enforce a note by those that are not

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in actual possession of the instrument results in the unlawful collection a debt.

Any right to initiate foreclosure of the security interest created by the Trust Deed recorded on September 5, 2006 as Instrument No. 06 1966429 in the official records in the Office of the County Recorder for Los Angeles County depends upon the actual possession of the original note by the party initiating the foreclosure and for whose benefit it is being initiated. As a Trustee and a debt collector, you participate in collection at the risk that your principal may not, in fact, be in possession of the original note properly and timely endorsed or assigned to it. If your principal is not, and you, motivated by profit, proceed because of a lack of adequate due diligence under the assumption that it is entitled to payment under the note, and if we can show that this is a pattern of activity, you are, in our view, guilty of violating RICO and liable for treble damages and attorneys fees under RICO's provisions for a private (civil law) remedy.

An April 30, 2008 article in the Wall Street Journal reported only the latest example of the abuse by many substantial institutions in the mortgage industry. "The sanctions against Wells Fargo (\$250,000) arose from the case of a homeowner who filed for bankruptcy protection in 2002. The company that handled her mortgage payments incorrectly characterized itself as the legal holder of the mortgage, which entitled it to seek relief as a creditor."

With the current state of the mortgage industry in general, and sub-prime loans like this one in particular, we know that loans have been packaged and securitized. Many of the originating lenders have gone out of business entirely and/or their portfolios have been purchased at fire sale prices. Many of the underlying original notes have been lost or misplaced and many foreclosures throughout the country are proceeding without the legal right that stems from the proper transfer of the debt, including the proper transfer of the original note.

This firm, and other consumer protection lawyers have been filing suit against those that would take unfair advantage of homeowners that are stressed and uninformed of the details and technicalities of the law by pursuing foreclosure without having possession of the original note, or by overcharging for costs of collection, or both.

If you proceed to foreclose without proper proof of entitlement, and the party for whom you are acting is not entitled to payment under the strict requirements of the Commercial Code, you are assisting in fraudulent activity. A claim of ignorance will not be an adequate defense. Therefore, you are best advised to insist upon proper proof before proceeding further. Besides RICO, you actions may prove to be a violation of federal and state laws collection laws, too.

According to my client, the initial lender and holder of the note was NEW CENTURY MORTGAGE CORPORATION. We have reason to expect that the note has been sold off and that it is no longer owned by NEW CENTURY MORTGAGE CORPORATION.

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Please confirm to me in writing the identity of the person or entity that initiated these foreclosure proceedings, including names and addresses, and indicate how that person or entity came to possess the right to payment under the note. Also, please confirm that this person or entity is in actual possession of the original note properly endorsed to it so that upon payment of the amount due under the note it can be properly surrendered. Again, enforcement of payment on a negotiable instrument through exercising rights under a security instrument requires, with very few exceptions, actual possession of the original note by the person entitled under the note to payment.

I suggest to you two options.

- (1) Provide confirmation to me, on behalf of my client, that you are suspending the foreclosure process until you give me further notice of at least 21 days, or
- (2) Produce to me proof that your customer is and was in actual possession of the original note properly endorsed or assigned to it prior to the recording of the notice default.

Failure to do one or the other will result in the filing of a lawsuit against T.D. SERVICING COMPANY and its customer pursuing an injunction, treble damages and attorneys fees, under RICO and under other available theories.

By proof I mean, at least, a declaration under penalty of perjury from a person in authority for the beneficial owner and holder of the note. The declaration must authenticate by attachment a true and correct copy of the original note and state that the original is in his or her possession. And, the declaration must attach any supporting documentation showing either the proper endorsement or written assignment of the note, or other documentation establishing the facts that are claimed to be the basis of the entity's claimed right to payment under the note.

Please forward a copy of this letter to the person or entity that is directing you to proceed in this matter. If you are unwilling or unable to do so, please notify me immediately in writing with the necessary information so that I can attempt to do so myself. If you do not send me the necessary information about your customer in writing, I will take that as confirmation that you forwarded a copy of the letter.

If you would prefer further communication on this matter to be directed to an attorney or legal department for your company, please let me know by return fax or e-mail, including the attorney's name, address and phone number.

Finally, let this letter serve as my client's demand under RESPA and other applicable laws for a detailed accounting of all charges which constitute the pay off demand for the note.

Yours very truly,

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

NOTICE OF ASSIGNMENT TO UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE FOR DISCOVERY

This case has been assigned to District Judge George H. Wu and the assigned discovery Magistrate Judge is Alicia G. Rosenberg.

The case number on all documents filed with the Court should read as follows:

CV08- 6553 GW (AGRx)

Pursuant to General Order 05-07 of the United States District Court for the Central District of California, the Magistrate Judge has been designated to hear discovery related motions.

All discovery related motions should be noticed on the calendar of the Magistrate Judge	

______ **NOTICE TO COUNSEL**

A copy of this notice must be served with the summons and complaint on all defendants (if a removal action is filed, a copy of this notice must be served on all plaintiffs).

Subsequent documents must be filed at the following location:

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	Los Angeles, CA 90012						

[] Southern Division 411 West Fourth St., Rm. 1-053 Santa Ana, CA 92701-4516

Eastern Division 3470 Twelfth St., Rm. 134 Riverside, CA 92501

Failure to file at the proper location will result in your documents being returned to you.

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(b) County of Residence of Fin	ff Cases):	County of Residence of First Listed Defendant (In U.S. Plaintiff Cases Only):							
(c) Attorneys (Firm Name, Address and Telephone Number. If you are representing yourself, provide same.)				Attorneys (If Known) John M. Hochhausler, Esq. Nina Huerta, Esq.					
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VIII(b). RELATED CASES: Have any cases been previously filed that are related to the present case? No Yes								
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862	All claims for "Black Lung" benefits under Title 4, Part B, of the Federal Coal Mine Health and Safety Act of 1969. (30 U.S.C. 923)							
863	DIWC	All claims filed by insured workers for disability insurance benefits under Title 2 of the Social Security Act, as amended; plus all claims filed for child's insurance benefits based on disability. (42 U.S.C. 405(g))						
863 .	DIWW	All claims filed for widows or widowers insurance benefits based on disability under Title 2 of the Social Security Act, as amended. (42 U.S.C. 405(g))						
864	SSID	All claims for supplemental security income payments based upon disability filed under Title 16 of the Social Security Act, as amended.						
865	RSI	All claims for retirement (old age) and survivors benefits under Title 2 of the Social Security Act, as amended. (42 U.S.C. (g))						